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Media Advisory

Keeping Kids Safe in an Internet World – What You Don't Know Can Hurt Them City of Falls Church Police Department Offers Internet Safety Class for Parents

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – The City of Falls Church Police Department and CHILDHELP USA present "Keeping Your Kids Safe in an Internet World -- What You Don't Know Can Hurt Them." On Wednesday, March 30, 2005 from 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Iris Beckwith, Director of Abuse Prevention Programs at CHILDHELP USA Children's Center of Virginia, will educate parents about child safety in the rapidly advancing world of technology. The free class will be held at the George Mason High School cafeteria, 7124 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22043.

In addition to taking home online safety tips, those who attend the session will learn:

- Who is most at risk and why
- What you need to know about your child's online activities
- What parental controls can be used to keep your children safe
- Cyber-ethics issues such as downloading music and movies, plagiarism, and credit card use
- What you should know about "online bullying"
- Why the Internet is an online predator's "new best friend."

For more information, please contact Detective Jennifer Elliott in the City of Falls Church Police Department at 703-248-5058.

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